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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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In the Matter of)
John and Ruth Stauffer) MURs 4568, 4633, 4634 and 4736
Sam Brownback for US Senate and)
Alan Groesbeck, as treasurer)

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GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

I. ACTIONS RECOMMENDED: Accept the attached proposed conciliation agreement with John and Ruth Stauffer, close the file as to them; and approve the appropriate letter.

II. DISCUSSION:

On May 17, 2001, the Federal Election Commission found probable cause to believe that John and Ruth Stauffer ("the Stauffers") violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1) by making excessive contributions to the Sam Brownback for US Senate Committee.

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III. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Accept the attached proposed conciliation agreement with John and Ruth Stauffer.
2. Close the file as to John and Ruth Stauffer.
3. Approve the appropriate letter.

Date

6/14/00

Lois G. Lerner

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